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Title of invention SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR COMMUNICATION NETWORE		LICATIONS OV	/ER A SERIAL MULTI-DROP	
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